

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please replace the paragraph inserted before the first heading with the following paragraph:

This application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §119(e) to U.S. Provisional Application No. ~~60/277,479~~ 60/266,479, filed February 6, 2001, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference.

Please replace the paragraph starting at page 10, line 1, and ending at page 10, line 7, with the following paragraph:

Figure 1 is a diagram illustrating the routing of Internet telephone calls according to an embodiment of the present invention. On the core network, the MPCS 40 sets up multiple Switched Virtual Paths ("SVPs") ~~32, 24~~ 32, 34 to an edge ATM switch 42. An SVP is a logical connection through a network. Each SVP has a related identification number. Each packet is identified by an SVP number and all packets with the same number belong to the same SVP. Packets having different numbers belong to different SVPs, even though these packets may travel over the same physical circuit.